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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 13, 2001, the period of response being extended until June 13, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

Please amend claim 9 as follows.

- 9. (amended) An acqueous solution for effectively cleaning contact lenses without rubbing comprising:
 - (a) from about 0.01 to about 15 weight percent of a poly(oxypropylene)poly(oxyethylene) adduct of ethylene diamine having a molecular weight
 from about 7500 to about 27,000 wherein at least 40 weight percent of
 said adduct is poly(oxyethylene);
 - (b) an effective amount of at least one antimicrobial; and;
 - (c) at least one osmolyte adjusting agent in concentration sufficient to enhance the cleaning properties of the solution without adversely affecting its antimicrobial efficacy.

